

House Resolution No. 1792

Whereas, it is with tremendous pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause in their diverse legislative endeavors in order to acknowledge momentous occasions that take place in local communities and neighborhoods throughout the Show-Me State; and

Whereas, on Sunday, April 10, 2005, the Webb City Public Library District will sponsor a ribbon-cutting ceremony to mark the completion of the renovation and new construction projects which have taken place at the community's Carnegie-era library; and

Whereas, renovation of the nearly one-hundred-year-old structure and construction of a new addition were brought to a successful completion through the efforts of the Webb City citizens who voted in 2002 to increase a sales tax levy and by the leadership of the Library Board of Trustees who formed a Foundation in 1998 to secure funds for the renovation and expansion projects; and

Whereas, the history of the Webb City Public Library stretches all the way back to 1913 when area residents voted to create a Webb City Public Library District; and

Whereas, in 1914 the Carnegie Corporation of New York donated \$25,000 to the Library District for the construction of a Library Building; and

Whereas, the original Library Board of Trustees ordered the construction of a library building made from native materials to reflect the mining heritage of Webb City; and

Whereas, the Webb City Library building was dedicated on January 1, 1915, and served the people and institutions of the area for eight decades until it became unserviceable and in need of repair; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives should commend the contemporary civic leaders in Webb City who have ensured that a wonderful part of the area's history is maintained and at the same time have found a solution to the literary needs of the latest generation of students, senior citizens, parents, and other members of society:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the stellar history of the Webb City Public Library and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt congratulations now that the much-needed renovation and new construction projects are finished; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to the Webb City Public Library District.

Offered by _____
Representative Bryan P. Stevenson
District No. 128

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1792, adopted April 5, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker